

# The Trustees of Public Reservations

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A Trust to Preserve for Public Enjoyment Beautiful and Historic Places in Massachusetts

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### DUTIES AND PURPOSES

of

### THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS

The duties and purposes of The Trustees of Public Reservations as a private organization established by act of Legislature in 1891 are:

- I. To save some of the irreplaceable scenic and historic assets of the Commonwealth.
- 2. To list and acquire by gift or purchase and maintain outstanding places of natural beauty or historic interest and maintain them unspoiled for the benefit and enjoyment of the public.

The Trustees' policy is:

- I. To appoint local committees to administer the reservations entrusted to our care under suitable regulations established by the Trustees.
- 2. To help the development of sound plans for greater opportunities of recreation and conservation in Massachusetts.

### LOOKING FORWARD, IT IS OUR AIM:

To acquire for preservation two places of natural beauty and/or historic interest each year.

To build up our General Fund adequately to provide for the present reservations and those which are to come.

To build up Special Funds:

For rounding out our holdings where expedient.

For needed local work on several reservations.

For "Museum Corners" in the reservations where labels will identify typical plants, animals, birds and relevant historical data.

For installing at vantage points indicators to mark distant mountains and other features of general interest.

To prepare descriptions of the local geology, flora, fauna and historic stories of the reservations.

To collate and publish, with the co-operation of affiliated local societies, maps locating beautiful and historic places throughout Massachusetts.

To help local societies and institutions to preserve places of natural beauty and historic interest.

To acquaint a larger public with our purposes to the end that we may gain a broad support and perform more and better service to the Commonwealth.

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#### ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

January 28, 1948

The Fifty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Corporation was held at the Women's Republican Club, 46 Beacon Street, Boston, on January 28, 1948, at twelve noon, President Robert Walcott presiding. All reports of officers and committees for 1947 were presented and appropriate action taken.

President Walcott spoke about the \$6,000,000 building that is scheduled to be built on the Metropolitan Park land on the Charles River in Cambridge. It was suggested that the Secretary see that many letters are sent to selected groups of people who might write to the senators and representatives in Washington protesting against the spoliation of our parks by the erection of this proposed building.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Corporation 135 members and associates, including guests and delegates from affiliated societies, met for luncheon. Among those who sat at the head table was Lord Esher of the Executive Council of the National Trust of England.

President Walcott presided; Chairman Charles S. Bird read a report of the Standing Committee for the year 1947 and called upon Mr. Fletcher Steele, Chairman of the Reservations Committee, to read his report.

President Walcott presented the Annual Award for Distinguished Service for Conservation to Mr. Harris Aquilla Reynolds, Secretary of the Massachusetts Forest and Park Association.

The guest speaker was Mr. Clayton B. Seagears, Director of Conservation Education, New York State Department of Conservation, who gave an address on Conservation, much to the interest of those present. At the conclusion of the address a delightful sound motion picture on Conservation was presented through the courtesy of President Fairfield Osborn of the New York Zoological Society.

#### ANNUAL LUNCHEON CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT WALCOTT: The Trustees have a great deal of pleasure in welcoming so many of our friends who are so faithful to our Annual Luncheon; in these days of heavy snow and heavy

colds, this is particularly appreciated. Further, we have in mind that we have extremely keen competition today from the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Colonial Dames at their Luncheon Meeting at the house of Mrs. Webster, an invitation not to be despised by anybody.

I want to introduce the gentlemen sitting at the head table so that you can at least know who they are. Professor Spurr, Director of the Petersham Forest; Mr. Buracker, Commissioner of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Harris Reynolds, about whom you are going to hear something more later; the next seat is reserved for Governor Bob Bradford, if he is able to come; the next seat on the other side is reserved for a gentleman who was supposed to be two hours late when he was leaving Albany, Mr. Clayton Seagears; Mr. Charles S. Bird, I shall ask to rise very soon again; next is Lord Esher, a member of Executive Council of the National Trust of England; Fletcher Steele, from whom you will also hear later; Philip Hofer; Dr. Lewis Perry, Headmaster Emeritus of Phillips Exeter Academy, who needs no introduction here.

Our first report in our order of events is the report of the Standing Committee on the Achievements of 1947 and Program for 1948 by Mr. Charles S. Bird, Chairman of the Standing Committee.

#### REPORT OF CHARLES S. BIRD

Chairman of the Standing Committee

Fifty-seven years ago when the Trustees of Public Reservations was founded in Massachusetts, there was little interest in parks and forests.

With a comfortably small population, limited transportation, private lands open to the public and what seemed then inexhaustible forests, planning for public reservations received little public support.

The average citizen unconsciously acquiesced in Louis XV's cynical remark, "Après moi le deluge."

Lord Grey of Fallodon once said, "Only when man destroys the life and beauty of nature; there is the outrage."

I believe that the greatest accomplishment of the Trustees of Public Reservations is that throughout all these years they have been continuously on the job helping to prevent this outrage. More private places are being closed to the public each year and the need for more open beaches and inland recreation grounds becomes increasingly pressing. The Trustees have not only saved many of the irreplaceable assets of natural beauty and historic interest but have also aroused greater general interest to provide for the future needs and uses of open spaces for recreation and conservation, the importance of which is difficult to appraise.

Our program this year has, as usual, been varied.

Our Secretary, Mr. Fletcher, has visited all of our reservations and has helped many of our local committees in the solution of problems. He has spread information to many more people about us and has lectured and shown our film, "Saving Beauty Spots from Cape Cod to the Berkshires," before widely scattered groups in Massachusetts, resulting in the addition of 426 new members, all of whom we warmly welcome depending as we do upon the gifts and dues from friends and members to carry on.

As we had a close connection in the founding of the National Trust of England, it is always an inspiration to hear about it and its increasing importance as the guardian of many of the great houses which are more and more being turned over to the Trust due to the Social Revolution in England. In this connection we were glad to sponsor, together with the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities and the Old Colony Council, Inc., B. S. A., an illustrated lecture on the national monuments of London delivered by the Rev. Philip B. Clayton, Vicar of All Hallows by-the-Tower, founder of the great brotherhood of Toc H and Chaplain to the King.

Each year some attempt is made to seize public grounds for some new State or National project. Unless there is continual vigilance, more and more public lands will be taken, appealing to different Federal agencies, as the easiest way, even though there are satisfactory locations elsewhere. It has been the policy of the Trustees to cooperate in any way possible to stop encroachments upon established public parks, and this year they helped with others to prevent the unnecessary taking of land at Olmsted Park and at the Gore Place Society House in Waltham.

Thomas Edison, just before he died, said, "I do not pose as a preacher, but let me tell you that if there is a God, He will not let us advance much further materially until we have caught up spiritually. A fundamental law of science is that all forces must

be kept in balance. When any force goes off its tangent, there is a smash."

The Trustees have believed that their work contributes spiritually as well as materially. Our Society has been fortunate in having men ready to serve its interests unselfishly. They have had faith in our work, and to know what is good and to do it inspires such self-sacrifice and service.

Aside from material advantages of saving many places of unique beauty, their educational contribution must help spiritually to form character; and as the greatest asset any country can possess is character, this is certainly an added bit of work of no mean importance.

Mr. Fletcher Steele, Chairman of our Reservations Committee, has given each of our local committees sound advice and has been of inestimable help to them. Reports from the chairman of each local committee will be published in our Yearbook.

The responsibilities of these committees is steadily increasing. To give some idea of how much, I need only mention the fact that during the past year over 200,000 visitors came in 50,000 cars to our Richard T. Crane, Jr., Memorial Reservation at Ipswich; 11,000, to the Old Manse in Concord; 4000 or more, to Whitney Woods in Cohasset and many thousands, to Halibut Point and Misery Island off the shore from Salem.

As far as additions to our properties are concerned, we acquired this year 53 acres in Whitney Woods and 5 acres at West Chesterfield to guard against the commercialization of the east side of this magnificent Gorge.

Our immediate program is to find \$4,000 to complete the purchase of this land at West Chesterfield Gorge, upon which we have only a two years' option; to assist the local committees of the Old Manse in Concord and Bartholomew's Cobble to complete their endowments; and to launch a drive to increase our general fund from a woefully small amount of only \$33,000 to a respectable sum.

On behalf of the Standing Committee, I wish to thank members and friends who have helped us during the past year.

Charles S. Bird
Chairman of Standing Committee
The Trustees of Public Reservations

January 28, 1948

### REPORT OF THE RESERVATIONS COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1947

When an art museum acquires a Chippendale chair to preserve it for the permanent satisfaction of the public, it does not invite people to sit on it. Quite the contrary, the chair is frankly withdrawn from circulation for sitting purposes or it would soon be injured and in time destroyed. So it is reserved in its original condition for future enjoyment of another sort. Its public use is restrained for the good of the public.

Our reservations have been described as museum holdings. This is not a metaphor. It is a fact. They comprise a growing collection of places of natural beauty and historic interest. And it is clearly stated in our charter that we are obligated to preserve them. To preserve them is to keep them from injury, even from overuse or misuse by the public itself. To do this, we are empowered to maintain "suitable regulations."

We have, however, shied off from making rules. We would rather win the cheerful cooperation of our public than try to push it around. Such rules as we have are no more than the average man would expect to see observed by guests on his own grounds. Wild animals and birds are protected. We forbid anyone to steal or mutilate our trees, shrubs, or flowers. Wilful destruction is prosecuted. We won't let people make obnoxious nuisances of themselves. People see the sense of rules like these and accept them willingly. They are, on the whole, well behaved when on our land.

There are better ways than making rules to work things round in Massachusetts, and conditions are appearing which cause us to put our heads together to find ways of countering them.

The rapidly growing attendance at some of the reservations since the war has created new problems. Mr. Bird has given you some figures, the outstanding one being that 200,000 came to the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation.

We begin to realize that we have never done anything to prevent this enormous number of people from sitting on our Chippendale chairs, so to speak, or from crowding across our precious carpets. What can be done to preserve our treasures and yet encourage their suitable public use?

Museums exist to preserve specific objects, either of nature or art. Their serious appeal is limited to those who appreciate the things preserved. That is always but a small section of the general public. The attendance of people who are utterly indifferent to the exhibits introduces an irritant and they are not encouraged. They just get in the way of earnest visitors. Sewing circles are not invited to meet in museum galleries nor even the Red Cross. The museum is reserved for the accommodation of its specialized group. The rights of the public are secured by the fact that this exclusive group is self-elected. Anybody can join it who wants to, and the larger it becomes, the better pleased the museum will be. To the end, however, it will be a selective, serious-minded company, not a heterogeneous crowd of pleasure seekers.

Until recently the number of visitors to our reservations has been so few and our areas so considerable that it has not been necessary to reckon on means of restricting our public to those who appreciate natural beauty and historic interest. Indeed, it has seemed important to inveigle people into our empty acres on any pretext in order to justify our existence. And naturally, our first and most plausible argument was that our holdings made agreeable playgrounds. We did a good deal to bring this point home. Perhaps we went too far. We built picnic tables; put up bath houses; encouraged games and skiing; furnished parking areas and provided other conveniences and amusements to satisfy anybody and everybody who might be out looking for a good time. We became somewhat confused ourselves about our major purpose, which is to encourage study and appreciation of our collection of valuable natural and historical objects. We let it get mixed up with public recreation. Recreation is good. It must be provided for. But it is not the object for which our museum was established.

Our exhibits are under a marked disadvantage in one respect. They cannot be cased behind glass nor roped off to prevent handling. In order to move about, the visitor is compelled to walk on our carpets, between our flowers, and to brush against our shrubs and trees. We would not have it otherwise because it is right that our mountains should be climbed and our shores explored. Yet every move of a visitor is a potential menace to some often irreplaceable item.

Naturally, we feel that it is safer to let loose an individual who knows and cares for animals and plants than another who, like a child, runs around to pick the pretty flowers and drops them when they fade. We cannot always be with them to warn and guide. They are not malicious, but they do a lot of harm. And there are so appallingly many of them!

So now when attendance at our reservations by people who are solely pleasure bound becomes so great that damage threatens our treasures, we begin to worry. One case is enough to describe our plight. At the Richard T. Crane, Jr., Memorial Reservation we are finishing a parking space for 1500 automobiles. This is an abominable blot on an otherwise untouched landscape. Yet we could see no way to avoid providing it because of the pressure of vast numbers of people who visit the beach to lie on the sand and swim. It is gratifying to have them enjoy in their own way what we have to offer. Yet not many of them could be classified without the help of sophistry as earnestly in search of the beauties of nature.

A parking lot is an obvious injury to wild scenery because it is big. Even in small places our friends of the New England Wild Flower Preservation Society have made it clear that the careless destruction of a few native plants can alter a woody vale and even destroy its charm. We all know that clumsy crowds around a mountain spring leave it no better than a muddy drinking trough. And what hummingbird could hover at ease while a thousand giants peered down into its babies' nursery? Yet one of our avowed objects is to keep the birds contented on our land. In a thousand ways, whose cumulative effect is enormous, large numbers of thoughtless persons, trampling around, cannot but injure the fragile spiderwebs and moss which we have taken under our protection. So it is coming about that we, as museum curators, are getting frightened of having a heterogeneous multitude push over our lands.

Just how can we go about straining the crowd, encouraging our selective group and gently discouraging those who come for reasons other than those we aim to satisfy?

To begin with, we need no longer go out of our way to cater to the unsought element. Why build more picnic tables next to public roads? Why enlarge shops for selling ginger pop and chewing gum? Why provide more than the minimum conveniences required by common decency? Why locate them where they will tempt people to spread farther and farther out over the land? Rather let us concentrate them where most easily supervised and where they are least harmful in the view. Let us avoid

producing any resemblance to public parks or amusement grounds. And by all means let us stop talking about general recreation in our reservations.

On the other hand, we should emphasize our primary function of conserving natural beauty for the sake of those who get something out of it, trusting that their kind will multiply because of the opportunities we offer. We should encourage Nature Clubs, Bird Clubs, Garden Clubs, Artists, Botanists, Geologists and all with affiliated interests to come and welcome. Already a children's free botany class comes to Whitney Woods on Saturdays all summer long. As many as 75 youngsters often attend and crawl around on the rocks hunting for their favorite plants.

To stimulate genuine culture we must provide more interpretations and descriptions of our reservations and their relation to the whole Massachusetts region. The way has been pointed out by the rarely appealing account of Bartholomew's Cobble by Walter Prichard Eaton and the list of the Cobble's plants made by the painstaking efforts of Charles A. Weatherby; by the exceedingly interesting description of the geology of the Rocky Woods Reservation, generously studied by Hervey Woodburn Shimer and published with the equally generous aid of Dr. Goldthwait; by the historical account of the Old Manse which Allen French wrote in his book "Concord." We must build up a library of similar reports on all our reservations to satisfy the many legitimate demands of curiosity concerning the geology, flora, fauna, history and all other aspects of our lands.

The Trustees of Public reservations are frankly bent on increasing the worth of living through development of love of the earth and thankful appreciation of all our historical inheritance. With grateful assurance that our aspirations are comprehended we record one event of the year which endowed our hilltops with grace. At the Charles W. Ward Reservation, "led by Rev. Mr. York of North Andover, 63 members of his congregation assembled at the Summit on Easter morning to meet the rising Sun with song and prayer."

Respectfully submitted,

FLETCHER STEELE, Chairman WILLIAM ROGER GREELEY AMELIA PEABODY LAURENCE B. FLETCHER, Ex Officio President Walcott: In view of the last remarks of Mr. Steele, I have in mind reading a few nights ago a book published last year by the University of Oklahoma, which a number of the audience have very likely looked at, entitled: "Thomas Jefferson as a Traveler, 150 Years Ago." I suppose with the possible exception of Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams were the two most intelligent men in America at that time.

This book describes when they found themselves in England together, what places they went to see. They seem to have acted just as if they belonged to this organization one hundred and fifty years ago. After looking over London and its monuments of architecture and making some note of the principal manufactories and the conditions of labor, they got a book by Mr. Wilton, entitled "Garden Spots in England" and proceeded to look after the garden spots. One of them was Woolton Water and another Esherwood. And he went on, through a list of six or seven of them. Then, as they might have done here in going to the Old Manse, they went to the site of the battles of Worcester and Naseby, and then to Stratford to see Shakespeare's birthplace. I submit they would have been very suitable members of this organization one hundred and fifty years later.

It has been our habit, the members know, to present each year a Conservation Award to some individual who, in the opinion of the Trustees, has abundantly deserved it, and today, we have in mind the gentleman sitting on my right who, although born in Pennsylvania and educated in West Virginia, later came to Harvard and took up the then quite precarious calling of being a Secretary and Executive of a recently established organization on not too firm a financial foundation, the Massachusetts Forestry Association, which had been founded ten or fifteen years earlier, and which I used to hear about from my father, who was the President of that organization in its earlier years.

Not content with increasing the importance of that position from a half-time job to a whole-time and an overtime job, the gentleman on whom we are going to confer the Conservation Award this year has made himself conspicuous by getting a large amount of valuable conservation measures through the Legislature. He has been extremely skillful at it, and he is still at work on this matter.

Yesterday, there was a hearing on the very useful bill, for instance, that would allow the State Woods to be closed, not waiting until the Governor should have given word to do so, but at the inspiration of the Department of Conservation itself, which would, of course, act more quickly, and probably without so much fear of the objections of the sportsmen who might be opposed to the closing.

Our Medalist has not only worked very hard in the Massachusetts Forestry Association, but he has been the founder of a valuable foundation covering the whole of New England, providing forestry at cost, and of the best ideas of conservation to people and companies owning forest land, to prevent its being cut flat and wastefully, and thus has done a great deal to add to the value of our resources and the unimpaired quality of our woodland landscape.

Accordingly, to Harris A. Reynolds, Esquire, I take pleasure in presenting to you this little plaque.

MR. REYNOLDS: I think you will all agree with me, after an indictment of that kind from a Judge of the Commonwealth, to be handed a medal instead of a fine is an accomplishment!

A few years ago, I was introduced to a group of Ohio legislators and conservationists by another Judge who ended the introduction by saving:

"This fellow is supposed to have a message for us. If he has a message, let's be on with it; if he hasn't, let's be over with it!"

I assure you that I have no message today, and we will soon be over with it.

Someone has said that all we can hope to get out of life are a few satisfactions. I suppose that one of the greatest satisfactions that comes to any of us is to realize that we have the approval, even with a touch of the flattery, sometimes of our fellow workers.

I am pleased, indeed, to be able to count myself among those distinguished conservationists who have received this award in years past.

I like very much to compare our conservation organizations, of which we have many here in Massachusetts, with footbal, teams, and I like to think of the secretaries as the quarterbacksl

calling the signals. There is probably no state in the Union where we have so many All-American conservation quarter-backs as I see before me right now, the dean of which I should say is your own good Secretary, Laurence Fletcher!

The team I have the honor to represent is the Massachusetts Forestry and Park Association, which celebrates its Fiftieth Anniversary tomorrow. This is not propaganda. My small part in the conservation movement has been as the paid quarter-back of that team. It has done the work, and it deserves the credit.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, in the name of the team, and as its personal representative, I want to thank The Trustees of Public Reservations for this honor and for this beautiful token of appreciation!

PRESIDENT WALCOTT: As our last speaker, I am glad to introduce the head of the New York Department of Conservation Education, who has just made the terrible trip from Albany, New York, and as I understand it, it has taken him not less than a half a day to make that awful journey.

Mr. Clayton B. Seagears!

#### **EXCERPTS**

From an Address by Mr. Clayton B. Seagears
Director of Conservation Education
New York Conservation Department

at the

Annual Luncheon Meeting of the Trustees of Public Reservations

on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1948

First of all, conservation, no matter what it is like, requires an enormous amount of showmanship, and it requires all sorts of noise to put it up in front, so that our people will know what it means.

Perhaps we can get to some of the meat of this business by listing some of the things that the only state with which I am familiar has and has not—New York State. New York State has some thirteen million people. It has 77 big state parks. One state park is Jones Beach where there is room for the parking of some 30,000 automobiles at a time, and which is used by from two to four million persons every season, and that is different persons. These 77 parks cover an area of nearly 400,000 acres. They are carefully supervised. The personnel is employed by the Department of Conservation in New York State. The people are guided carefully to do the right things and don't destroy the things which shouldn't be destroyed. And I might say that the public needs adequate supervision and guiding along the way.

New York has in addition an enormous forest preserve of nearly three million acres, larger than the total area of your neighboring state to the south. That forest preserve is protected by the State Constitution, to remain forever wild. In it, for example, there is a large herd of deer, some 200,000 head, and these deer, in bad winters of deep snow, starve to death because of inadequate food supplies. In some winters, more deer may starve to death than the hunters harvest in the fall, in these areas. Yet,

so strict is the State Constitution protecting these wild forests that the game people in the Conservation Department may not go in and lop down oak branches, the staple winter food for deer, and the one thing which game technicians feel would be the saving of deer in the winter time, when their vitality is reduced by starvation in certain areas at certain times.

I mention that merely to show how rigidly the state constitution protects that forest preserve. It is in the Adirondack and Catskill Mountains. It is surrounded by an imaginary line called the Blue Line, which encloses an area twice three million acres in size.

When New York State acquires any additional land within that Blue Line, said land automatically is protected by the Constitution and also must remain forever wild.

Now, that is a good thing. It is perhaps the saving of the recreation of at least a quarter of New York State's 13 million people.

The Forest Preserve was started fifty-five or sixty years ago, by far-sighted legislators. Since then, the State has periodically been acquiring more land within those so-called Blue Lines which encircle the periphery, the perimeter of the Adirondack and Catskill Regions.

In this wilderness, with this rigid control, are the remains of some of the most interesting mammals we have east of the Rockies. At the Adirondacks in the east, is the last real stronghold of the marten, the American sable. The sable, you know, is the skin that when you sit on it and get up, it springs back into shape, whereas most furs flatten down like that (illustrating) and aren't pretty.

So they are especially wanted, and they are very easily trapped. Today, their pelts are valued at \$125.00 to \$150.00. Yet, despite that and the fact that they can be caught in a rat trap, unbaited, unlike the fox—I say despite all that, we still have these marten in quite considerable numbers in the Adirondacks.

We have many fisher, which is a critter about that long (indicating about three feet), weighing fourteen pounds, also readily caught, now worth \$90.00 to \$110.00. This animal starts out in the morning and travels all day or starts in the evening and travels all night, making 60 miles before ending up, and leaves plenty of fresh tracks for the trapper to shoot and win himself

\$100.00 thereby. Yet, we have so many fisher that the trappers and some far-sighted conservationists who view the fisher as quite an animal in his own right, now want open trapping season on the fisher, simply because if man doesn't harvest the crop sometimes, nature will, and nature is far more cruel at the harvest, normally, than man ever thought of being.

In the Adirondacks, there may be a lynx or two, which is supposed to be exterminated in the east. There are reports every year of mountain lions; yet, we have no authentic records of one since 1894. Yet we always have stories of them, screeching all over the place.

This area is threaded with 700 miles of carefully maintained wilderness trails. There are 162 log lean-to places open, but no permanent camps may be built on this land. There are 102 miles of wilderness canoe runs with rough portages, but no tracks or modern devices; it is kept as wild as possible.

Just think what a wonderful thing that is, what a wonderful asset for any state.

As I came through the Berkshires early this morning, I would say there is a great similarity between the wilderness qualities of the Berkshires and the wilderness quality of the Catskills and some parts of the Adirondacks. You all know, because you have one of your own reservations on Monument Mountain, from which it stretches as far as you can see, and it is perfectly adaptable land for that sort of thing. Maybe you already have it; I don't know. But, what a perfectly wonderful thing for the future.

New York State grows 1½ million cords of wood every year. It cuts 3 million cords! It uses 8 million cords!

There are in the State now nearly half a million acres of land which have been reforested by the Department, with, to date, 700 million trees. The world's largest forestry nursery is at Saratoga, and more are on the way.

New York State has 5 million acres of abandoned farm lands, good for nothing whatever except to grow a crop of trees or, in some cases, a crop of wild life; enough acres, if used for the production of trees, to provide all of New York State's lumber needs. Yes, 5 million acres of land worn out since the peak of farming occurred in New York, as it did in Massachusetts, about 1870. This area is twice the size of the whole state of

Connecticut—5 million acres, buttoned up and thrown away. The top soil is all gone, and it is no longer economically possible to farm anything on it. Yes, 5 million acres all gone phooey!

In Massachusetts, any place you go in the wild, back country, you will see the hillsides, varicose with old stone walls and depressions, of old cellars of former farm buildings. In all of New England, all through the north and in many sections of the whole country, you will find it exactly the same with farms abandoned since the peak of farming in eastern America.

What is anybody doing about it? Not much! Yet, up on the bald hills, hills that have been cleaned and cleared of their forests is the source of the flood. The water hits the bald hills and runs over the land, not into it. There the floods start, and erosion of the topsoil goes on, and we have lost a third of the topsoil already, as you know.

It is not economical to replace it, in most areas, in this generation. But, by reforesting that land, we can dig down into the soil, protect the site of the floods, and begin to do something about it.

Any group such as this, which, by its own hands, turns out the money and provides the donations to acquire and present to the people for their wise use and for their best use such land as this organization has provided is getting down to the bottom of things pretty well. But, after all is said and done, it seems to me that this group merely can scratch the surface, unless it gets more people interested in its cause and the public in general to realize some of its own responsibilities in acquiring other areas as fast as possible and to do something, particularly for the future, because as our population rises, our number of acres per person decreases. In New York today, we have about a roomful of land for every person there.

Interest in the out-of-doors is rising faster than any other known

pastime.

In 1932, New York State sold 68,000 deer licenses. Think of that! An army of deer harvesters amounting to 68,000! Think of all of those men in the woods with rifles, harvesting deer. Notice that I didn't say killing deer; we like to call it "harvesting" because the deer herds must be controlled. But, last fall, the Conservation Department sold more than 300,000 deer licenses! Think of it!

In Massachusetts, you harvested last fall, as I understand it, a record total of antlered deer.

We have in New York more than a million hunters and fishermen. Only a few years ago, we had 250,000. The number is increasing so fast that, today, nature no longer is able to grow an adequate supply of the needed fish and wild life, in most areas, that is, because there are more harvesters than supplies of fish and game.

When all is said and done, it is valuable to have resources of fishing and wild life, to act as a magnet, to get man out of doors to harvest it. And you understand what it means to get people out of doors. They won't go out of doors unless they have something to do when they get there, a park, a beach to go to, a river to canoe in, fish to catch, deer to shoot, a fox to trap—they won't go out of doors unless those things are there for them.

Are we, throughout the country, preparing the way so that the future millions will have something to do when they go out of doors? Are we continuing to mine out our topsoil so that men like Dr. Tom Spies, who is doing the enormous nutritional job that he has done and with which many of you are familiar, have found thousands upon thousands of people starving to death in the south without knowing it because of vitamin deficiencies. What were we doing to restore the land?

In some areas where spinach is grown, it sells for a quarter; you eat it, but you might just as well chew up your napkin, for all the good it does you. In another place spinach is grown, and it has the same amount of sand in it as the other did, but you eat it and it gives the real "Popeye" strength.

It won't be many years from now before it will be against the law to sell produce from certain areas of our land, which are used up, mined out—and there are 5 million acres of abandoned farm land in New York State alone.

Now, what has all of this heterogeneous list of facts got to do with conservation and parks and public reservations and so on?

Well, it all adds up to wise use by the people in future years, not only to live, but to enjoy themselves.

Unless we have more groups in America like this group, there is going to be such an enormous pressure on the out-of-doors, which is going to be bought up and misused by the time we need it the most, that the history of man must certainly again

revert to type. You know that the history of man is nothing more or less than the chronology of man in search of food; that is about all it amounts to.

Let us take a little more part and a little more pride and do a little more horn-tooting about the kind of work that we are doing, because nobody else will do it for us. You don't realize how much good you are doing. You can't possibly realize it. You can't possibly realize it until you begin to ask yourselves: "Where do we go from here? Where is our population going? What are they going to do? Is man getting physically stronger? Are his kids getting healthier? Is man getting taller? How about the physical race between World War I and World War II? Where do they get their oomph? Where are your people going, from Boston, for their recreation? Are they going any place? Are your beach reservations, for example, adequate to take care of the potential number of users? If not, why not? Why hasn't somebody done something about it? Does it depend upon a small group to do something for everybody?

Why don't the people know about these things? Has it been shouted enough? Have you been too backward with your shouting from the roof-tops? Have you been too modest about your own accomplishments?

Have you the adequate tools to work with in the legislature?

I don't know any of these answers; therefore, I can pose the questions without embarrassment.

And, where can we get funds to get these other things? Certainly, there is no controversy over the need for them!

Yes, it is so important that you ought to lie awake nights, thinking about it. Believe me, Ladies and Gentlemen, you should lie awake nights thinking about it.

Where do we go from here?

A third of our topsoil has gone out to sea. Our lands are being cut off, and our forests are being denuded and dropped down and the trees are lying around like an exposure in Jack Straw's factory, all over the place, ripe for forest fires.

There could be supervised forestry and forest practices under supervision, lumber companies and reforestation.

What are we doing with the idle land, which could become state parks, protected by state constitutions or other clauses for the use of the millions and millions of people above the present millions who are going to use them in later years?

Don't be too modest in what you people are doing here. You need the help of others. You need to show yourselves more.

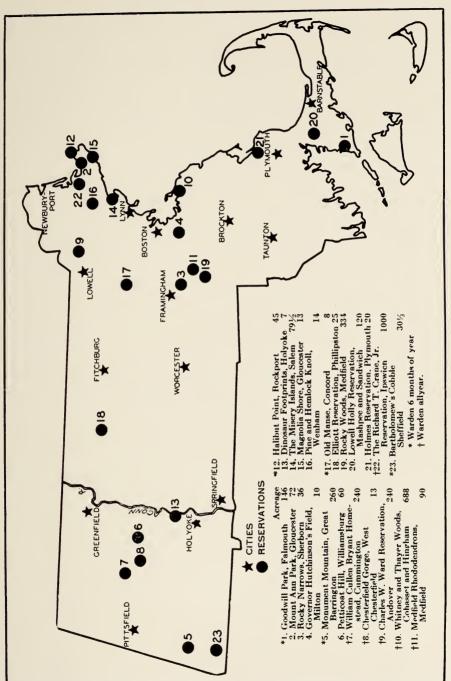
You need to shout more. You need all the help that you can get.

If there ever was a task, a job, a program that should bring to you the love and affection and that goodness of your fellow men, your neighbors in the years to come, it is your program, because conservation and our land are fundamental in our living. Without them, we die.

And yet the schools teach arithmetic first. No kid in the schools probably in Massachusetts, and I know in New York so that I can say it very well, knows the difference between the value of topsoil and subsoil or the dangers of papa burning over his farm acres in the spring; the danger of cutting all the trees off the brookside; he doesn't know anything about those things. But he knows what seas bound Africa; he knows the latest, perhaps, on what country happens to be on the outside in Europe; he knows syntax; he knows two or three nouns, and he knows how to spell "bigoted" maybe. But, he doesn't know anything about topsoil, and that fact, which is most important, that we cannot live without it!

# PROPERTIES OWNED AND MAINTAINED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS PRESENTED OR PURCHASED

Year		
icquired		Acreage
1935	Bancroft Sanctuary, (Part of Whitney Woods)	25
*1946	Bartholomew's Cobble, Sheffield	30
1928	William Cullen Bryant Homestead, Cummington	-
*1929	Chesterfield Gorge, West Chesterfield	13
**1947	Chesterfield Gorge, West Chesterfield	$5\frac{1}{2}$
1945	Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation,	
	Ipswich	1,000
*1935	Dinosaur Footprints, Holyoke	7
1942	Elliott Reservation, Phillipston	25
1894	Goodwill Park, Falmouth	146
†1934	Halibut Point, Rockport	40
1943	Halibut Point, Rockport	5
1944	Holmes Reservation, Plymouth	20
1898	Governor Hutchinson's Field, Milton	IO
1942	Lowell Holly Reservation, Mashpee & Sand-	
	wich	120
1936	Magnolia Shore Magnolia	13
1934	Medfield Rhododendrons, Medfield	90
1935	Misery Island, Salem	79½
1899	Monument Mountain, Great Barrington &	, , ,
	Stockbridge	260
1897	Mount Ann Park, Gloucester	72
*1939	Old Manse, Concord	81/2
1906	Petticoat Hill, Williamsburg	60
1936	Pine and Hemlock Knoll, Wenham	14
1937	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn	21
1941	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn	Ι 5
1942	Rocky Woods, Medfield	303
1946	Rocky Woods, Medfield	31
1936	Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover	150
1944	Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover	36
1945	Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover	60
1933	Whitney Woods, Cohasset & Hingham	600
1943	Whitney Woods, Cohasset & Hingham	28
*1944	Whitney Woods, Cohasset & Hingham	60
*1947	Whitney Woods, Cohasset & Hingham	53
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### BARTHOLOMEW'S COBBLE SHEFFIELD

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Prof. Walter Prichard Eaton, Chairman

Miss F. C. Andrus Mrs. Lawrence K. Miller

Edward F. Belches C. A. Weatherby Mrs. Taylor Day Robert K. Wheeler

What is most significant in our first year of operation is the fact that the warden, Mr. S. Waldo Bailey, has accounted for 2372 visitors (of course there were more who did not come during his hours and did not register or ask for his guidance), and better than 75% of these visitors were interested primarily in the flora and geological formation of the Cobble. Local people came to picnic, as they have done for years, and as we should, of course, permit them to do; but the primary purpose of our purchase of this property was not to preserve a local picnic spot, but to preserve a rare and choice natural garden. It is those people who appreciate such a garden whom we want most to attract. Evidently we are doing so. The area is not large enough to be widely publicized as a picnic spot. If so used, it would soon be worn threadbare, and many of the ferns, etc., no doubt, despoiled.

The Committee voted to try charging a 25-cent fee next season, which would include parking and warden's guide fee. The town will not permit parking on the narrow road bordering the Cobble, and it was necessary to secure a little land from Mr. Conklin for a parking area. When visitors are compelled to use this and to pay the small fee, it may discourage a few, but it should, on the whole, bring us some revenue for support. Mr. Bailey will admit local people and children free and at his discretion make rates for large parties, such as garden clubs. In fact, the whole matter will be more or less in his excellent hands.

A new fence along our west border is badly needed to take the place of the present tumble-down barbed-wire-stake affair. We should like a split-rail snake fence, but so far no chestnut has been found on the stump suitable for the purpose except in places where the cost of getting it out would be prohibitive.

So far 456 species of plant life have been identified on the

Cobble, and it is expected the number will reach 500 when the mosses, lichens, and fungoids have all been identified.

We have not as yet gotten rid of the house on the southerly end of the Cobble, which is an eyesore but which unfortunately does not belong to us. It is hoped that it can be removed during the coming summer, as well as the smaller of the two other cottages, from which lumber can be salvaged to build a needed toilet. The larger cottage is used by the warden as his headquarters, and it has proved very useful.

The warden has kept a few paths mowed by hand machine to outline them and to lessen the annoyance from wet grass; but otherwise the Cobble is still kept mowed in the open spaces by the cows, as it has been for nearly 200 years and as it should continue to be.

### WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HOMESTEAD CUMMINGTON

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Conrad G. Goddard, Chairman

Laurence B. Fletcher, Secretary Horace Robbins
Samuel A. York

We have had about 160 visitors this year at the Homestead. Secretary Fletcher of the Trustees put up some attractive new signs on the main road, one of which had to be placed a little way from the main road by order of the Selectmen. It was located too far to the side of the road.

We have had to change wardens. Mr. Richard M. Page resigned after some seventeen years, as he was getting along in years and his wife had died and his son had married. However, I found an excellent young war veteran in Cummington Village, Mr. Horace Robbins, to take the position, and he has been installed in the farmhouse since the first of September. He is very much interested in the Homestead, as his wife's mother was born there, the daughter of the farmer George Streeter, who at that time lived in the Homestead (there being no farmhouse then) and took care of it for Miss Julia Bryant, youngest daughter of William Cullen Bryant.

Every year some member of the Bryant family turns up. This year it was a young English instructor from Columbia University, named after the poet, William Cullen Bryant, descendant of one of the brothers, I have no doubt, as there are no direct descendants in the male line.

I found the kitchen chimney had large holes in it, so as it was unsafe, I had it taken down and a new one installed, with proper flue lining, which the old one never had.

### CHESTERFIELD GORGE WEST CHESTERFIELD

The Standing Committee has felt for a number of years that it is important that we should secure the east side of the Westfield River to protect our reservation on the opposite side from any commercial development.

Consequently, the Trustees have purchased 5½ acres of land from Mr. Frank Thayer, the warden, and his wife for which \$1,000 has been paid on account and \$4,000 must be paid in the next two years. The final purchase of this property will make it secure for all time against any possible embarrassing development.

It is hoped by the Local Committee that there will be generous subscriptions towards the purchase of this property, which is one of the beauty spots of the Commonwealth and which will be increasingly used as time goes on by the public. It is the most picturesque spot on the Westfield River.

## THE RICHARD T. CRANE, JR. MEMORIAL RESERVATION IPSWICH

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

M. Charles Arthur, Chairman

Robert T. Bamford

Mrs. Harry S. Merson

Mrs. Theodore Ciolek

A. W. Smith

Laurence B. Fletcher, ex officio

Wendell Taber

George E. Hodgkins, Fiscal Agent Lothrop Withington

We had another very successful season at Ipswich Beach. The parking area handled nearly 50,000 cars, and attendance was

estimated at well over the 200,000 mark. Mr. Charles S. Garrett, the warden, managed the affairs of the beach in his usual good manner.

We have modernized parking arrangements so that we have entrance and exit roads designed to operate in the style of rotary traffic. We are also providing space for 300 more cars in the hope that it will solve the problem for some time to come.

Sea bass fishermen have been regular visitors, surf casting along the shore with considerable luck.

The idea of a snow fence to prevent the drifting of sand by wind seems to have worked out very well.

We made some temporary improvements in our sewage disposal system; however, something permanent may have to be undertaken this year.

The beach is a favorite spot on summer weekdays for whole families. So many mothers have expressed appreciation of the fact that it is far easier to care for the children where there are no merry-go-rounds and the like to distract the children and where there are lifeguards who keep careful watch over bathers.

### DINOSAUR FOOTPRINTS HOLYOKE

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### ELLIOTT LAUREL RESERVATION PHILLIPSTON

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Miss Olive Simes, Chairman

F. W. Elliott Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Greene Mrs. Richard T. Fisher Mrs. Henry C. Hart

Last autumn the Committee secured the assistance of an able-bodied man for a few days to do some of the heavier clearing. Members of the Committee and their friends helped with the lighter work and also cut a trail from the open hillside to the stand of old pines and hemlocks overhanging the swamp, thereby making accessible another aspect of the Reservation.

### GOODWILL PARK FALMOUTH

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Wilfred Wheeler, Chairman

H. V. Lawrence

Falmouth Park Department

The retirement of Mr. William E. Lawrence, who was caretaker of this park for over fifteen years, made it necessary to place the park under the care and management of the Park Department of Falmouth.

This change has worked well, and the park has been improved in many ways. Much pruning of underbrush has been done and the sides of the roads cleared up, so that it is a pleasure to drive through the park.

The picnic area has been used a great deal, but it now needs new fireplaces and some new tables. There is an increasing demand for the picnic area for clambakes and other recreational activities.

### HALIBUT POINT ROCKPORT

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

J. B. Witherby, Chairman

Aldro T. Hibbard

Addison B. LeBoutillier

H. Chester Story

The spring, summer and fall of 1947 have been memorable for the Halibut Point Reservation, made so by the thousands of visitors.

More people than ever before enjoyed the picnicking, fishing and swimming. Others were interested in the flora and geology and in photographing many points of interest. I made frequent trips over the reservation while visitors were there to add a word of interest and to answer questions.

Paths were well cut and widened in some places, and several guide signs were added, which were a great help. It is hoped that

the new trails can be laid out this coming spring to open up more territory.

The Reservation has a warden all year round who lives opposite the parking space.

We thank Secretary Laurence B. Fletcher for his hearty cooperation at all times.

### HOLMES RESERVATION PLYMOUTH

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Francis C. Holmes, *Chairman* Laurence B. Fletcher, *ex officio* 

The reservation was used in the same way and kept in the same condition as in previous years.

This reservation is greatly enjoyed by the people in the many cars that pass along Court Street, who enjoy the expanse of the view from the Duxbury Bridge to Manomet Point and also historical Plymouth Harbor.

### GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON'S FIELD MILTON

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Charles S. Pierce, Chairman

Dr. Alexander Forbes

Miss Helen C. Gilbert

Governor Hutchinson's Field, like other parts of Milton and many South Shore towns, became infected with Dutch elm disease. It was necessary to remove and bury a few young elms which had been placed along Adams Street in recent years, where old elms had died from other causes. Only time will tell whether others must come out.

An attack has again been made on poison ivy along the wall on

Adams Street. Complete extermination in the lower parts of the Field will require much effort and expense.

Some young spruces have been added to the screen on the northerly edge of the lot. Consideration is being given to trimming, or thinning, trees on the slope toward the Neponset River, as they soon will begin to obstruct the view of the marshes in the foreground.

The use and enjoyment of the Field by visitors and passers-by has not changed materially, but as usual, their enjoyment of the view is very noticeable.

Thanks to Secretary Fletcher, we have a new hanging sign, which draws the attention of motorists and others to the field and its extensive view.



ELM TREE IN HUTCHINSON'S FIELD, MILTON, Infected by Dutch Elm Disease, Which Had To Be Removed and Burned.

### LOWELL HOLLY RESERVATION MASHPEE

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Wilfred Wheeler, Chairman

I. Louis Campbell

There has been no damage to the holly trees this season by persons after Christmas greens. The red berries were so scarce that there was no incentive for stealing them. The condition was to be expected as the trees bore exceptionally heavy the last two years.

The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce started a drive for gypsy moth and wood tick control this season, and they propose to try it again the coming season in the Wakeby area of the Cape. The Lowell Reservation is right in the middle of this area. The Chamber of Commerce is trying to finance this plan through the various towns with state aid.

The work previously done of clearing several acres of underbrush and trees that overshadow the holly trees has worked very well, and further work will be done along these lines in the winter of 1948.

### MAGNOLIA SHORE MAGNOLIA

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

William H. Coolidge, Jr., Chairman

Harvey Bundy

Laurence B. Fletcher

The Reservation needs the cutting of paths to make it more convenient for visotrs to go to the chasm. Otherwise it is in good condition.

Secretary Fletcher installed a large swinging sign, which is seen by all those who pass both ways on Essex Avenue and which has increased the attendance materially.

As this reservation has no endowment for upkeep, the only thing the Trustees can do is to keep the paths in fairly good condition and a parking space available for cars.

### MEDFIELD RHODODENDRON RESERVATION MEDFIELD

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947 John S. Ames, *Chairman* 

Walter Channing
H. Wendell Endicott
Mrs. John Wells Farley

Mrs. Louis Frothingham Walter Hunnewell

Mrs. Augustin Parker

Mrs. Sylvia Warren

A year ago Mr. Kingsbury cut on his land a large number of very old and beautiful pine trees for lumber, which left the property adjoining our own very much torn to pieces, with trash everywhere.

The roadway to the Rhododendron area was very badly torn up by the trucking and hauling of the lumber. It now needs several loads of gravel, which will be attended to this coming spring.

Most of the trash was piled and burned this past autumn, which will greatly improve the general appearance of the approach.

A considerable amount of deadwood and leaning trees have been cut on the rhododendron area. It will be necessary to repair the corduroy paths as they are in very bad condition. We hope it will be possible to take care of this work in the spring, also.

The growth of the rhododendrons has continued satisfactorily, and in general they seem to be in very good condition, with the promise of a small bloom this coming year.

### MISERY ISLAND RESERVATION SALEM

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947 John M. Abbot, *Chairman* 

Mrs. K. Schuyler Choate

Mrs. S. V. R. Crosby

Frederic C. Church Neal Rantoul

Gregory P. Connolly, II Mrs. Harold W. Wise

The Misery Island Reservation has never had a more active year with some 2500 visitors in attendance.

With the money received from the insurance company for the fire at the warden's house, the Local Committee judiciously spent about \$700 in improving and building an addition to a smaller house already on the property. They thought it would be an exceedingly good idea to have a shelter of some kind for the vis-

itors in case of rain, so an additional piazza was added to this house. Altogether, it was a most satisfactory and well-thought-out plan, which leaves the warden in a strategic position to see all the visitors who enter the island.

The purchase of a new rowboat was added to the expenses of the year.

The placing of the six pontoons and taking them down was a difficult and rather expensive job, but it was done through the good offices of some of the members of the Local Committee together with our efficient warden. A large legible sign was set in a conspicuous place so that everyone entering the island can see what the landing fees are. These were increased this year from 10 cents to 15 cents without apparently any complaint from the visitors.

Several large parties enjoyed the island, including the Manchester Yacht Club, the Lobstermen's Association of Beverly, the Association of Police Captains of Massachusetts, the Cruising Club of America.

The razing of the two chimneys of the old warden's house was done, which much improved the looks from the mainland.

The 500 black pine trees, a gift of John Balch, planted around the old ruins of the club house, have done well. They are about the only trees that will stand the salt spray on a wind-swept island.

The Local Committee has been very diligent and has spent a good deal of time in arranging the island for the comfort of the visitors. Next year an even larger attendance is anticipated. Misery Island is one of the attractive islands in Salem Harbor, which can be reached by boat and which is open from the 15th of April until the 15th of November all the time with warden service. It is hoped that more members of The Trustees of Public Reservations will visit the island during 1948.

Anyone desiring to visit Misery Island should communicate with our warden, Mr. William Warwick, Manchester, Massachusetts, to secure transportation to and from the island.

To operate this island successfully, a good seaworthy boat with a strong engine is absolutely necessary. If there is any member of the Trustees who can help us to secure a suitable power boat, he will deserve the thanks of the entire organization, because that is the only way we can get transportation back and forth without borrowing the money and going into debt.



# MONUMENT MOUNTAIN GREAT BARRINGTON & STOCKBRIDGE

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Robert K. Wheeler, Chairman

Edward H. Acton Joseph Franz

Edward F. Belches Bernhard Hoffmann Mrs. A. A. Berle, Jr. D. Percy Morgan

George B. deGersdorff Rodney Procter

Prof. Walter Prichard Eaton Miss Alice B. Riggs

John Butler Swann

There have been more visitors to Monument Mountain this year than at any time since it was given to us.

For a number of years we have had no warden service, but this year there was a man in attendance on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, much to the convenience of the visitors. It has worked out very successfully. Fireplaces were repaired, brush cut, trails reopened, tables secured, and all was kept in good order.

By vote of the Local Committee there will be a full-time warden during 1948 from May until September, which the Committee thinks will be of great public benefit. An increased parking charge of 25 cents, we hope, will take care of the expenses.

Monument Mountain, being on the main road to New York through Massachusetts, Route 7, has become increasingly popular. Many people who are motoring through the Berkshires stop here to use the fireplaces and to have lunch at the tables. It was estimated by the warden that some 4000 people enjoyed Monument Mountain during 1947.

## MOUNT ANN PARK GLOUCESTER

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Clarence Birdseye, Chairman

Mrs. Clarence Birdseye Rainer Mengelberg

Mrs. Francis J. Bush Mrs. Lincoln S. Simonds

Mount Ann Park is little known and little used.

The white paint markings on the trail were freshened during

the year by Secretary Fletcher and the reservation generally is in good condition. Some people think it is one of the most attractive owned by the Trustees.

It is hoped more people will take advantage of visiting Mount Ann Park as time goes on.

## THE OLD MANSE CONCORD

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Russell H. Kettell, Chairman

Mrs. Raymond Emerson Henry H. Fay Mrs. George S. Keyes Walter K. Shaw, Jr.

Charles L. Ward, Fiscal Agent

At the recent fall meeting of the Old Manse Local Committee, we were glad to see that the attendance figure of 10,420 for the year was slightly larger than last year and the gross receipts of \$2,-804.74 are correspondingly more satisfactory. Perhaps we should add that this is fortunate, since expenses have risen at so high a rate.

Consideration of the appearance of the Manse from the outside brought up again our hope that Mr. Steele will tell us what we should do, either now or eventually, to give the place a more cheerful appearance without either making it any less authentic or raising the cost of our gardening upkeep beyond our very limited means. Next spring we shall have to do something, and we want at least to be working toward a proper and attractive goal.

It will be necessary to make the foundations and some of the lower wood fabric of the barn and shed impervious to the weather together with the repairing of a few shutters and window panes. We must get the original sash back in position, protected on the inside by an extra thickness of glass and on the outside by an ordinary copper fly screen nailed in place.

Inside we were agreed that it would be wise to protect our attic book shelves by stretching wires across them and to experiment with glass or a large roll of plastic over the wallpaper along the stairs. Considerable wear and tear occurs to the risers and treads of the main staircase, and we should like to repaint the former and cover the latter with inconspicuous brown rubber or linoleum rectangles. A larger piece of this same material should cover the front part of the hall from the entrance door to the staircase, so great is the tramping and turning at that particular point. In some places the actual floor boards are getting a little springy, suggesting a weakening underneath that will be looked into.

The furniture is in good repair except for a broken desk lid that will offer no problem. Mr. Ames has recalled the beautiful highboy that he had left with us on loan, and we were very sorry to see it go.

If we can obtain one or two of the Government fire-fighting pumps, they will be not only good insurance, but quite possibly the means of our spraying some solution on the poison ivy that is making headway in places along the road.

After giving the matter of an appeal to the sight-seeing bus companies careful consideration, your Committee believes that a cautious move in that direction might be a good plan. Perhaps we could get in touch with one company only for next year and see whether they would send us visitors on days other than Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. We understand that the arrangements will be attempted by one of the officers of The Trustees of Public Reservations who would keep in mind the ridiculous way in which the bus guides and drivers carried out one company's agreement with the Concord Antiquarian Society some years ago.

During the season, in addition to Miss Barker's knowledgeable guidance at the Manse, we have had the frequent, or occasional, services of sixteen Concord ladies. The question came up as to whether or not it might be possible to have a regular schedule of three custodians, and no more, at all hours when the Manse is open. This might be more satisfactory to all concerned than the present arrangement of having a call list appealed to when good weather promises large crowds.

During the past year "the Books" have for the first time been kept locally, rather than in Boston, in charge of Mr. Charles L. Ward, of this Committee. There have been two changes in the Committee's personnel—Mr. Bisbee, having moved to Vermont, has resigned; and Mrs. Raymond Emerson has agreed to fill his place.

# PETTICOAT HILL WILLIAMSBURG

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Miss Dorcas Brigham, Chairman

Prof. and Mrs. Robert F. Collins Mrs. C. N. Rhoades Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Cranson

The Committee has cut the brush at the entrance to the Park, kept the trail open, and also done quite a bit of cutting to open up the view at the top of the trail. We hope to get more done, but the deep snow has put a stop to that now.

We got a bulldozer last fall and filled in the cellar hole on the Boy Scout lot next to the entrance and have leveled off a place for cars to park.

There is a bit more to do here before I shall be satisfied. The road commissioner said he would bring us some more fill for this area, but so far we haven't seen any.

The entire property has been posted against shooting and trespassing.

# PINE AND HEMLOCK KNOLL WENHAM

In status quo

#### ROCKY NARROWS SHERBORN

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947
George Lewis, Jr., Chairman

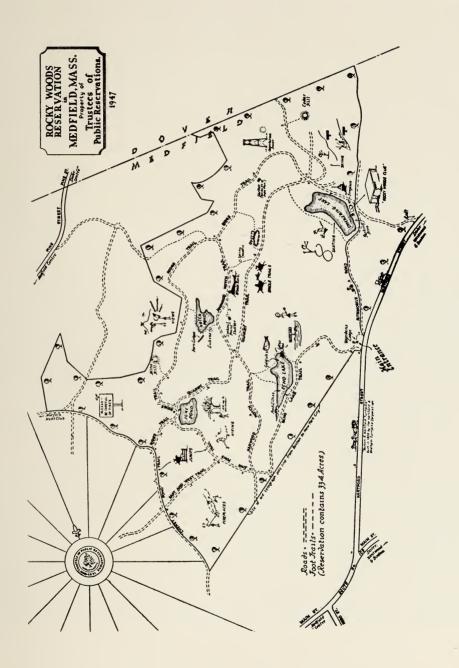
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Dr. William F. Ladd

Richard Saltonstall Bradford Williams

Last winter a fire trail was cut through part of the Reservation which will, when it is completed, connect with the land of the Sherborn Town Forest and the adjoining properties. Most of the trail goes through a swamp and will have to be filled in places. On completion the fire hazard will be considerably reduced.

The usual amount of wood for the fireplaces was cut. It was all used up.

One camper reported that six different groups, a total of fortyfour people, used the Rocky Narrows Reservation over Labor Day week end.



A generous friend has just given \$100 to be used to clear up the island at the Gates of the Charles of fallen timber, results of the hurricane. Some work was done a few years ago but not finished.

#### ROCKY WOODS MEDFIELD

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

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Activity has been the keynote of our program for 1947. Realizing that to justify its existence the Reservation should be used and enjoyed by large numbers of people, the Local Committee has directed its efforts towards this end. Those who have once visited Rocky Woods need no second invitation to return again and again to enjoy the variety of attractions it offers with the changing seasons. Our problem, like any commercial promotion, has been the initial introduction to the public.

Winter sports, with its present popularity, seemed to be the logical means of accomplishing this object, and a program was initiated in the fall of 1946, which has since justified this decision. Lake Chickering was selected as the center of these sports.

Adjoining the Reservation was a tract containing approximately thirty acres on which was located the highest point in the vicinity. This land was purchased by Dr. Goldthwait and added to the Reservation. Mr. Ritchie, an expert skier, laid out a ski run extending from the highest point down to the shore of the lake. The slope was cleared of trees, stumps and boulders in the fall of 1946. A nearby area was partially cleared for the use of novice skiers.

At the same time a lodge was built on the shore of the lake for the use of the skaters. The building is of cement block construction with large plate glass windows. It was designed by the wellknown architect, Nathaniel Saltonstall, and has proved to be both practical and useful.

Weather conditions during the winter of 1946-1947 were not



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PATH ALONG ONE OF THE FOUR PONDS IN ROCKY WOODS RESERVATION,

MEDFIELD.

generally favorable, but it became at once apparent that the project met with popular approval. At the same time a certain amount of work was indicated if we were to handle successfully a large volume of people. This was carried out in the spring of 1947.

A second building similar to the skating lodge, but smaller in size, was erected at the main entrance to the Reservation. This serves as a warden's lodge. The parking space at this entrance was improved and enlarged, and a wide gravel road was constructed running between the main entrance and the skating lodge, replacing the cart path which had proved to be inadequate. A large parking area was made adjacent to the skating lodge and traffic was made one way. This greatly relieved the traffic problem which had been our most serious difficulty.

To improve skating conditions, the dam at the end of Lake Chickering was raised ten inches and a serious leak was repaired.

The main ski run was improved by further clearing. Some of the loam and gravel left from the construction of the roadway was used to fill in uneven places on the slope. A group of volunteer workers cleared more of the beginners' slope. At the present time the winter sports facilities are adequate, although not elaborate.

The handling of such a large-scale operation entails considerable work of management, maintenance, and organization. To aid the Local Committee, an organization known as the Rocky Woods Club was formed in 1946. This club has its own by-laws, officers, and committees. The objectives of the club are the same as those of the Reservations Committee, to promote fullest enjoyment and proper use of the facilities provided, but concerns itself primarily with the winter activities.

The club relieves the Local Committee of many details. It points out improvements which would be beneficial and generally supervises the sports program. Its greatest usefulness is in providing a means of self-government, insuring proper conduct of the individuals using the Reservation. Beginning in the fall of 1947 membership in the Rocky Woods Club was made compulsory for those wishing to use the skating or skiing facilities.

Nominal yearly dues of \$1.00 for a single membership, \$2.00 for a family membership, and \$.50 for a junior membership are being charged this year. The proceeds are spent at the discretion of the Club for current needs. The purchase of a sound system for the skating pond is one of the anticipated expenditures. So far,



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TYPICAL VIEW OF ONE OF TWO TYPES OF LEDGE ROCK FOUND IN ROCKY WOODS RESERVATION AS OUTLINED IN PROF. HERVEY WOODBURN SHIMER'S MONO-GRAPH ON THE GEOLOGY OF ROCKY WOODS RESERVATION.

the club has been very satisfactory and will be continued so long as its conduct meets with the approval of the Local Committee.

The 1947-1948 season has been excellent for skiing and our ski run has been highly praised by many of the most expert skiers in this section of the country. Skating, on the other hand, has suffered as a result of the exceptional snowfall. The first heavy snow came before the ice would hold the tractor snow plows, and it has accumulated so rapidly that all efforts to clear the ice have failed so far. Snow removal remains one of our greatest problems. In anticipation of the skating program, an addition to the skating lodge was made to house a gasoline-driven generator to provide electricity for lights and a sound system. During the few good days when there was skating, a temporary sound system was tried out and found to add much to the enjoyment of this sport.

The expense of this development has been borne by Dr. Gold-thwait. As we get more involved in conducting a winter sports center, it becomes apparent that some means of making the project self-supporting is necessary. Next year an upward revision of the membership rates is indicated, with the club bearing the operating costs. Parking and other fees may have to be charged also.

Many people who first came to the Reservation in winter returned during the spring and summer. An outdoor fireplace with a grill for cooking was built next to the lodge. This proved to be a year-round attraction and was in great demand by family groups and large outings. Several smaller fireplaces were later built at other spots, and all were used extensively.

An airplane spotting tower 40 feet high was purchased. This was taken apart and moved to a high place on the reservation. The work of erecting it in its new location was interrupted by cold weather but will be completed in the spring. From this tower the view will cover an area extending from Boston Harbor to Mt. Monadnock and the White Mountains and should prove a major attraction.

The Reservation, in general, has been well maintained. Roads have been kept up, trees sprayed by airplane, and extensive clearing of fallen trees and brush accomplished. Pictorial maps of the Reservation have been made, and are distributed to visitors. An interesting booklet on the geology of the Reservation was prepared by Hervey Woodburn Shimer, and is available to those who are interested in this subject.

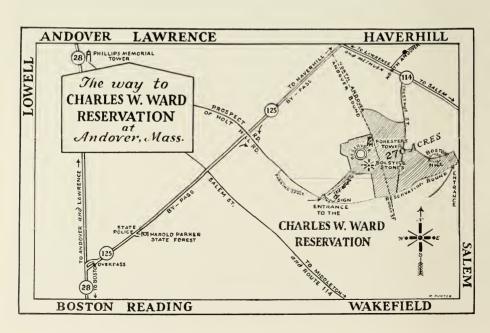


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FOOTBRIDGE OVER ONE OF THE FOUR PONDS IN ROCKY WOODS RESERVATION, MEDFIELD.



SKI TRAIN AND TOW, ROCKY WOODS, MEDFIELD



#### CHARLES W. WARD RESERVATION ANDOVER

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Mrs. Charles W. Ward, *Chairman*Mrs. Charles C. Kimball George K. Sanborn

On the Charles W. Ward Reservation in 1947 we cleared old trails and completed new ones. We cleared the broad path leading from Holt Hill Road to the Solstice Stones and the Forester's Tower and completed the newer trail from that hilltop eastward, across the North Andover pasture to old Chestnut Street.

A corduroy of maple trees was laid across the swamp, and beyond, the way was cleared to the summit of Boston Hill, which has an horizon-wide view and its own circle of Solstice Stonest From this second summit the trail drops sharply to the northeas. corner of our Reservation, which is close by the Lawrence-to-Salem Turnpike, near the old Farnum School House.

From the Holt Hill summit to the Salem Turnpike, the way is marked with yellow discs on the bordering trees, and the distance from the By-Pass (Andover) to the Turnpike (North Andover) is an easy two-mile walk. Much limbing and trimming of trees and spraying of poison ivy was done by John Ward Kimball and other Phillips Academy boys. George Sanborn with his student group, as usual, cleared ski trails, the ski jump, and the James C. Graham Trail.

In 1852 Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote to a friend, "What a lovely place Andover is! Last evening a number of us climbed Prospect Hill and had a most charming walk. Since I came here, we have taken up Hymn-Singing, and while we were on the Hill, we sang 'When I Can Read My Title Clear to Mansions in the Sky!' It went finely."

The name of Prospect Hill, which Mrs. Stowe used, later became obsolete when both Massachusetts and the Federal Survey Service restored the earlier original title, Holt Hill.

Forester Campbell reports over 700 visitors to the hilltop in groups of varying size. Of these, perhaps the largest was led by the Rev. Mr. York of North Andover, when sixty-three members of his congregation assembled at the summit on Easter morning to meet the rising sun with song and prayer.

# WHITNEY WOODS AND THAYER WOODS COHASSET

Including Bancroft Sanctuary and Thayer Trail

LOCAL COMMITTEE, 1947

Nathan W. Bates, Chairman

Laurence B. Fletcher, Secretary

Dr. Oliver H. Howe Clarence H. Knowlton Prof. Hervey W. Shimer John Visser

In any undertaking it is well occasionally to step back a pace to correct the perspective distorted by nearness to a particular current phase of the problem. In so doing at Whitney Woods, we notice several changes in objectives and tactics.

Originally the woods were important, first, for the carriage and bridle paths; other uses were secondary. The roads were necessary to and maintained by their wealthy equestrian users. The carriages are gone; the riders are few and not wealthy; hence, the roads are not well maintained. Dr. Howe, always interested in walking, cut many trails while he was our chairman. These trails are used enough to justify spending a considerable part of our income and energies in keeping them up. At the Sohier Street entrance are a field and picnic ground. Both prove to be very popular as recreation areas. To us they seem most important at this time. The warden is expected to devote most of his time to this area. Since there has been this trend away from the bridle path, toward the trails, recreation area, and picnic grounds, we feel that we must shift with the public's interest.

A house has been started within the woods, but on land not owned by the Trustees. Another has been built very near the Lookout on Turkey Hill. No harm has been done, but from now on we must guard against housing encroachment. The Tower tract was bought this year with money from Government land damages to fill in unowned area, where houses might have been built. For complete protection \$30,000 is needed. Lacking money, we must rely on tact and finesse.

About 200 feet of cedar post and rail fence was installed at the recreation area. Two new picnic tables were bought. Mr. William C. Ward resigned as warden and was replaced by Mr. Donald McNeil. The roads were scraped once with a tractor-drawn road patrol, and the worst washes were raked several times. A summer water line was run to the warden's camp.

Approximately 4000 people visited the Reservation this year. An unusually large number of church and group outings were among them. Such groups as the Harvard Physics Club and the South Shore Dog Training Club are discovering our facilities. The Dog Club held a field day for obedience tests with more than seventy-five dogs in the area. Three distinct boy scout troops (Cohasset Protestant, Cohasset Catholic, and Quincy Pioneers) have camp sections now. It is hoped that in the coming year the scouts will become interested in maintaining a part of the trails.

A small soft ball diamond and a sand box for children were used by many at the recreation area.

The Bancroft Bird Sanctuary trail needs much work. This path at one time was maintained by the South Shore Nature Club.

The skating pond is used a great deal and is in good shape.

In the near future the holly grove should be made more accessible from the Thayer Trail. It would also make for greater efficiency to have the warden's camp moved to his office and made a part of it. More tables now need to be replaced. Since the picnic area is so popular, we are inclined to think that a similar area removed from the road would be useful. Such an area has been selected on Boulder Lane.

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1893	Metropolitan Park System, Boston	
1893	Province Lands, Cape Cod	2,000
1902	Pine Knoll, Sheffield	$\epsilon$
1907	Harvard Forest, Petersham	2,100
1929	Old Town Hill, Newbury	25
1933	Boxford State Forest, Boxford	500
1933	Georgetown Rowley State Forest, Rowley	700
1934	Breakheart Hill, Saugus and Wakefield	650
1934	Roland C. Nickerson Forest Park, Brewster	1,500
1934	John C. Robinson State Park, Agawam	1,100
1935	Coes Pond, Worcester	7
1935	Gore Place, Waltham and Watertown	80
1936	Watatic Mountain, Ashburnham	130
1937	Willowdale State Forest, Ipswich and Topsfield	1,900
1937	Allen's Ledge, Sharon (additional to	
	Massachusetts Audubon Society's Sanctuary).	38
1942	Sudbury House and Gardens of Joseph E. Chandler	150
1942	John Skinner State Park, Hadley	375
	Total	

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F. W. Elliott, Petersham	Elliott Reservation, 25 acres in Phillipston
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1942	
Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait, Medfield	Rocky Woods Reservation, 300 acres in Medfield, with en- dowment
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Cornelius Crane, Ipswich	\$1000 contribution to the General Fund
1944	
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1945	
Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait, Medfield	Endowment for Rocky Woods Reservation from 1942 through 1945, \$10,000
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Paul B. Morgan, Worcester	\$1500 donation towards the pur- chase of Bartholomew's Cobble, Sheffield
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*Deceased.	

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Cornelius Crane, Ipswich	. \$4,000 contribution to the General Fund
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GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA, New York .	\$1200 from the Founders Fund towards the purchase of Bar- tholomew's Cobble, Sheffield
Cornelius Crane, Ipswich	\$3000 contribution to the General Fund
Anonymous (In memory of Edith Parsons Morgan)	
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Mattapannock Women's Club (South Boston) Medfield Garden Club Milton Garden Club Milton, Town Club of Natick Woman's Club Needham Garden Club Needham Historical Society Greater New Bedford, Garden Club of New Bedford Woman's Club Newburyport Garden Club New England Women's Club (Boston) Newport Garden Club Newton Centre Garden Club Newton Highlands Garden Club Newton, Social Science Club of Newtonville Garden Club Noanett Garden Club Northampton Woman's Club, Garden Department North Shore Garden Club Peabody Garden Club Petersham Historical Society Philergians, The (Braintree) Research Club, Inc. (Provincetown) Rockport Garden Club Roxbury Historical Society Salem Garden Club Sandy Bay Historical Society and Museum, Inc. (Rockport) Scituate Garden Club Sharon Garden Club Society of Colonial Wars (Boston) Sons of American Revolution, Brigadier General Joseph Frye Chapter South Shore Nature Club (Cohasset) Springfield Garden Club Squantum Woman's Club Stoneham Garden Club Stoneham Woman's Club Swampscott, Garden Club of Taunton Garden Club Topsfield Garden Club Tuesday Garden Club (Swampscott) Ulster Garden Club (Kingston, N. Y.) Upham Family Society Village Improvement Society (Pigeon Waltham Club of Better Gardens Waltham Garden Club Wareham Garden Club Wavland Garden Club Wellesley Garden Club Wenham Village Improvement Society West Newton, Second Church of, Woman's Guild West Boylston, Women's Club of West Roxbury Historical Society Winchester Garden Club Winthrop, Garden Club of Wollaston Garden Club Women's Civic Federation of Mass., Inc. (Boston) Women's Civic Federation of Mass., Inc., Brockton Branch Worcester Garden Club

#### COOPERATING SOCIETIES



It is suggested that, if any local society expresses willingness to cooperate with The Trustees, the following procedure should be adopted:

- 1. That the society should appoint and regularly maintain a committee on preservation of places of natural beauty and historic interest. That the committee should watch all beautiful and historic places within their jurisdiction and should inform the Standing Committee of any case where their action could be helpful.
- 2. That a rough register of beautiful and historic places in the region covered by the membership of the society should be compiled by the members of this local Preservation Committee, and that a copy of the list so compiled should be filed at the office of The Trustees.
- 3. That the members of the local Preservation Committee should, as far as possible, endeavor to preserve these places by arousing local pride.
- 4. That the members of the local Preservation Committee should undertake to distribute, from time to time, literature issued by The Trustees.
- 5. That, in order to facilitate the work of The Trustees, the members of the local Preservation Committee should undertake to further the growth of membership in The Trustees.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER



#### INVESTMENTS OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS

#### AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1947

Common Stocks

70 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

475 "Boston Personal Property Trust

15 " Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.

255 " Commonwealth Edison Co.

150 " Consolidated Investment Trust

7 "Consolidated Natural Gas Co.

25 " Continental Can Co.

100 " Fidelity Phenix Fire Insurance Co.

55 " Fireman's Fund Insurance Co.

55 " First National Bank of Boston

83 "General Motors Co.

15 "Guaranty Trust Co. of New York

105 " J. C. Penney Co.

35 " Liggett & Myers Tobacco B

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130 " Phillips Petroleum

75 "Standard Oil of Indiana

100 "Standard Oil of New Jersey

"Travelers Insurance Co.

50 "Union Carbide and Carbon Corp.

60 " United Shoe Machinery Corp.

Preferred Stocks

45 shares Appalachian Electric Power Co. 4½ Cum. Pfd.

25 "Consolidated Edison Co. of New York 5% Pfd.

40 "Gillette Safety Razor Co. 5% Pfd.

50 "New York State Electric & Gas Corp. \$3.75 Pfd.

53 " U. S. Smelting Refining & Mining Co. Pfd.

#### Bonds

\$2,000 par Atlantic Coast Line RR 1st Cons. 4s, 7/1/52

3,000 " Central Pacific Rwy. Co. 1st & Ref. 4s, 8/1/49

2,000 " New England Tel. & Tel. Co. 1st Ser. A 5s, 6/1/52

1,000 "Northern Pacific RR Co. 4s, 1997

1,000 " Northern Pacific RR Co. 41/2s, 1975

3,000 " Philadelphia Co. Coll. 41/4s, 1961

2,000 " U. S. War Bonds, Ser. G 2½s, 2/1/54

4,000 " U. S. War Bonds, Ser. G 2½s, 8/1/53

1,000 " U. S. War Bonds, Ser. G 2½s, 4/1/55

4,000 " U. S. War Bonds, Ser. G 2½s, 12/1/56

3,000 "Kansas City Southern RR Co. Ser. A, 10/1/75

3,000 " Southern Pacific Co. 41/2s, 1969

I hereby certify that the securities shown by the above list were held by The Trustees of Public Reservations as of December 31, 1947.

LUCIUS H. GROVES, Examiner

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

## AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1947

### GENERAL FUND

Receipts		
Income from Endowments	\$ 1,569.06	
Memberships	10,500.00	
Adjustment to General Fund from Dinosaur Footprints		
account	1,000.00	
Proportion of Boston Office Expense from Endowed Reservations	3,393.23	
Balance available for operations		\$16,462.29
Less		
Disbursements		
Printing, postage, etc.	\$ 3,667.66	
Salaries	9,171.50	
Rent, telephone & light	1,224.86	
Small Deficitsof Unendowed Reservations Charged to General Fund	427.98	
Miscellaneous	634.34	
Total Disbursements for 1947		\$15,126.34
Balance after operations for 1947		\$ 1,335.95
Balance as of January 1, 1947	\$ 1,925.18	
Surplus for year 1947	1,335.95	
Balance as of December 31, 1947	\$ 3,261.13	

The books of The Trustees are open to inspection by its members at all times.

### TRIAL BALANCE

## AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1947

Assets	
Cash	\$ 20,193.00
Endowment Funds for Reservations	106,118.53
General Funds—Unrestricted	31,475.47
Dinosaur Footprints—Accumulated deficit a/c purchase	3,273.97
Halibut Point—Purchase of property by notes & operations	1,633.41
Lecture Account—Accumulated deficit a/c operations	772.36
Traveling Account	596.50
Medfield Rhododendrons—Accumulated deficit a/c operations	190.30
Monument Mountain Reservation " " " "	340.06
	\$164,593.60
Liabilities	
Loan from Principal	\$ 7,531.15
Bartholomew's Cobble	81.79
William Cullen Bryant Homestead	893.14
Richard T. Crane, Jr., Memorial Reservation	10,004.23
Elliott Reservation	160.90
Holmes Reservation	725.22
Governor Hutchinson's Field	
Lowell Helly Decomposition	250.94
Lowell Holly Reservation	558.40
Misery Island	509.83
Mount Ann Park	52.68
Old Manse	316.18
Old Manse—Endowment	1,354.59
Petticoat Hill	248.04
Rocky Narrows Reservation	100.00
Rocky Woods	18.18
Ward Reservation	213.30
Whitney Woods	490.88
George Wigglesworth Fund	255.98
General Funds	3,261.13
General Funds—Unrestricted Endowment	31,475.47
William Cullen Bryant Homestead—Endowment	23,969.81
Elliott Reservation "	2,000.00
Governor Hutchinson's Field "	5,060.18
Holmes Reservation "	9,891.52
Lowell Holly Reservation "	9,993.77
Misery Island "	10,490.61
Monument Mountain Reservation "	6,900.58
Mount Ann Park "	
	1,022.85
Petticoat Hill "	3,419.23
Nocky Woods	11,026.42
ward Reservation	4,875.88
whitney woods	11,575.91
George Wigglesworth Fund "	5 864.81
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ALLAN FORBES, Esq., Treasurer Boston, Massachusetts Dear Mr. Forbes:

January 27, 1948

\$164,593.60

Dear Mr. Forbes:
As you requested, I have examined the books of The Trustees of Public Reservations for the year ending December 31, 1947.
The books show that all payments have been posted, supported by proper vouchers, receipts entered and deposited, and the checkbook reconciled with the bank statement. Attached is a certified list of The Trust securities held in the Safe Deposit box, which is in check with the book records.

I certify that the assets and liabilities, as shown on the balance sheet, fairly set forth the condition of The Trust property, as of December 31, 1947.
Very truly yours,
ERNEST E. JOBLING, Auditor

## SCHEDULE of PROPERTIES and ACCOUNTS

## AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1947

### BARTHOLOMEW'S COBBLE

Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	\$ 739.50 1,793.75
	Disbursements	2,533.25 2,451.46
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	81.79
,	WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT HOMESTEAD	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	2,282.57 1,336.40
	Disbursements	3,618.97 2,725.83
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	893.14
	CHESTERFIELD GORGE	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	0.00 101.16
	Disbursements	101.16 101.16
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	0.00
RICE	HARD T. CRANE, JR., MEMORIAL RESERVATI	ON
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	5,078.64 35,254.24
	Disbursements	40,332.88 30,328.65
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	10,004.23
	DINOSAUR FOOTPRINTS	
Jan. 1, 1947	Deficit Receipts and disbursements	3,273.97 0.00
	Deficit Dec. 31, 1947	3,273.97
	ELLIOTT RESERVATION	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	120.90 50.00
	Disbursements	170.90 10.00
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	160.90

Jan. 1, 1947	HALIBUT POINT Deficit Receipts	\$ 1,566.4 5.0	
	Disbursements	1,561.4 72.0	
*Purchas	*Deficit Dec. 31, 1947 te of property by notes and interest.	1,633.4	1
	HOLMES RESERVATION		
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	\$ 417.2 415.0	
	Disbursements	832.2 107.0	
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	725.2	22
	GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON'S FIELD		
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	248.2 233.7	
	Disbursements	482.0 231.0	
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	250.9	_ )4
	LECTURE ACCOUNT		
Jan. 1, 1947	Deficit Receipts	737.9	
	Disbursements	737.9 34.4	
	Deficit Dec. 31, 1947	772.3	6
	LOWELL HOLLY RESERVATION		
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	532.8 490.7	
	Disbursements	1,023.5 465.1	5
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	558.4	0
	MEDFIELD RHODODENDRONS		
Jan. 1, 1947	Deficit Receipts	296.3 250.0	
	Disbursements	46.3 144.0	
	Deficit Dec. 31, 1947	190.3	0

•	MISERY ISLAND	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	\$ 1,961.11 510.45
	Disbursements	2,471.56 1,961.73
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	509.83
	MONUMENT MOUNTAIN RESERVATION	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	103.22 447.41
	Disbursements	550.63 890.69
	Deficit Dec. 31, 1947	340.06
	MOUNT ANN PARK	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	37.16 52.52
	Disbursements	89.68 37.00
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	52.68
	OLD MANSE	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	357.64 3,036.52
	Disbursements	3,394.16 3,077.98
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	316.18
	OLD MANSE ENDOWMENT	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	973.19 2,197.00
	Disbursements	3,170.19 1,815.60
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	1,354.59
	PETTICOAT HILL	
Jan. 1, 1947		\$ 124.25 240.79
	Disbursements	365.04 117.00
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	248.04

	ROCKY NARROWS	•
	ROCKT WARROWS	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance Receipts	0.00 181:82
	Disbursements	181.82 81.82
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	100.00
	ROCKY WOODS	
I 1 1017	Deficit	12.09
Jan. 1, 1947	Receipts	497.75
		485.66
	Disbursements	467.48
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	18.18
	WARD RESERVATION	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance	223.88
	Receipts	425.80
		649.68
	Disbursements	436.38
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	213.30
	WHITNEY WOODS	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance	454.12
	Receipts	2,438.40
		2,892.52
	Disbursements	2,401.64
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	490.88
	GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH FUND	
Jan. 1, 1947	Balance	255.98
,	Receipts	300.00
		555.98
	Disbursements	300.00
	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	255.98

### ACT OF INCORPORATION

# AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS

Chapter 352, Acts of 1891 Massachusetts General Court

Section 1. Frederick L. Ames, Philip A. Chase, Christopher Clarke, Charles R. Codman, Elisha S. Converse, George F. Hoar, John J. Russell, Leverett Saltonstall, Charles S. Sargent, Nathaniel S. Shaler, George Sheldon, William S. Shurtleff, George H. Tucker, Francis A. Walker, George Wigglesworth, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of The Trustees of Public Reservations, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining, and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historical places and tracts of land within this Commonwealth, with the powers and privileges and subject to the duties set forth in chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes and in such other general laws as now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations; but said corporation shall have no capital stock.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold by grant, gift, devise, purchase, or otherwise, real estate such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public, but not exceeding one million dollars in value, and such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further sum of one million dollars.

Section 3. All personal property held by said corporation, and all lands which it may cause to be opened and kept open to the public, and all lands which it may acquire and hold with this object in view, shall be exempt from taxation, in the same manner and to the same extent as the property of literary, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions incorporated within this Commonwealth is now exempt by law; but no lands so acquired and held and not open to the public shall be so exempt from taxation for a longer period than two years. Said corporation shall never make any division or dividend of or from its property or income among its members.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

# Form of Bequest



In making your will we suggest a bequest to The Trustees of Public Reservations.

"I give, devise and bequeath to The Trustees of	Public
Reservations, a Corporation organized and existing und	der the
laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the	sum of
\$to be applied to the general us purposes of said Organization."	ses and

Your bequest will bring lasting and widespread benefits for acquiring and maintaining beautiful and historic places in Massachusetts, open to the public under suitable regulations.

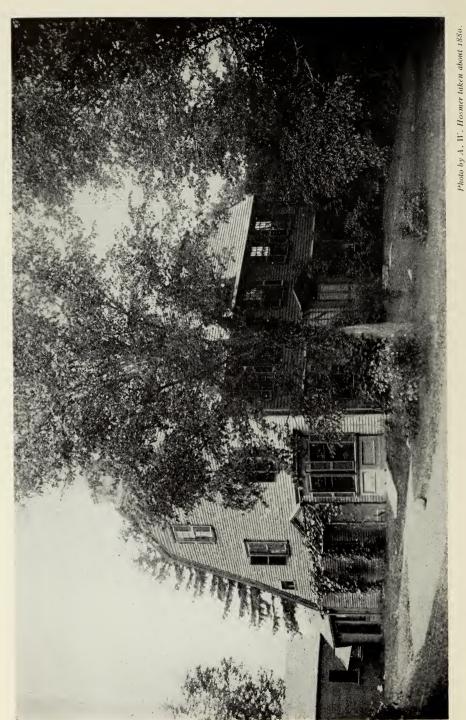
Societies and individuals interested in Massachusetts history, natural history, scenery, and town and country improvement are invited to contribute to the working funds of this Board, in the form of three memberships.

"Contrary to a fairly widely held belief, the Trust is not an offshoot of a Government Department, nor is it sponsored by the State, although it works in harmony with it. It does not even enjoy the benefit of any subsidy from public funds and is, in fact, solely able to carry on its work through subscriptions, gifts, legacies, and the comparatively small sum received annually as income from some of the properties owned by the Trust."

The Treasurer is Allan Forbes of the State Street Trust Company.

LAURENCE B. FLETCHER, Secretary

SKATING POND, ROCKY WOODS, MEDFIELD



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DOES not the landscape deserve attention? What are the natural features which make a township handsome?

A river, with its waterfalls and meadows, a lake, a hill, a cliff or individual rocks, a forest, and ancient trees standing singly. Such things are beautiful; they have a high use which dollars and cents never represent.

If the inhabitants of a town were wise, they would seek to preserve these things, though at a considerable expense.

It would be worth while if in each town a committee were appointed to see that the beauty of the town received no detriment. If we have the biggest bowlder in the country, then it should not belong to an individual, nor be made into a doorstep. As in many countries precious metals belong to the crown, so, here more previous natural objects of rare beauty should belong to the public.

HENRY DAVID THOREAU